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The following is filed in timely response to the final Office Action mailed on April 20, 2007, wherein the Examiner rejected Claims 2-5, 8-11, 13, 15-18, 20, and 23-27 under Section 103(a) as unpatentable over Kato et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,627,920, in view of Hashimoto et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,480,639.

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response.

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